

Council Chambers
Monongahela, PA
September 14, 2016

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Monongahela, due notice of which meeting was published according to law, held Wednesday September 14, 2016 at 7 P.M. in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kepics who led in the pledge to the flag.

The roll was called and the following present:

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Mayor Kepics introduced Richard Massafra owner of Sit Up Doggy Treats. Mr. Massafra donates 8% of the proceeds of his company to local K-9 units and presented a check in the amount of \$500.00 to Officer Larry Maraldo and K-9 Officer Beny for the city's K-9 fund.

City Clerk Carole Foglia, on behalf of the Cepaitis family, presented a painting to the Monongahela Fire Department which was painted by Anna Capaitis. It was a picture of the Monongahela Fire Hall.

Public Forum:

Kevin Necciai, 712 Sampson Street, asked council who oversees the sewer department as a toilet in his finished basement blew up ruining his carpeting. Councilman Kulak commended that the same thing also happened in his office on Chess Street. Councilman Veliky explained the Municipal Authority is mapping the sewer system checking on blockages. All agreed the process should stop until the residents are notified beforehand.

Sarah Necciai, 712 Sampson Street, informed council she is again sponsoring the Healthy Kids Running Series for five weeks and is need of volunteers.

Terry Necciai, 400 Meade Street, distributed his monthly calendar and informed council jack-o-lanterns will be placed along the route of the Halloween parade from a grant which was given by the Rivertown Association.

Michelle Parnell, 31 Decker Street, informed council that the library board meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of the month and there will be a spaghetti dinner on September 26 with proceeds to the library. Used books are being accepted for sale at the fleatique and tables can be purchased from the library for \$15.00 for use at the fleatique.

Chad DeSantis, Lawton Street, asked that the city consider the addition of an internet exchange space, commented on the Short St. and 4th St. intersection being an issue, asked that the city waive the \$485.00 fee for a hearing where there is a residential special exception without an engineer, suggested a speed bump at the intersection of Lawton and Stanton Streets, informed the city that the grass is cut at 1137 Lawton Street and there is a realtor lock box on the house, and announced there will be neighborhood block party on Sherman Street on October 2. Councilman Kulak said he has met several times with Penndot and only reflectors are permitted at Short and 4th Street and speed bumps are not allowed at all.

Report of City Clerk:

Police Report

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, the Police Report be approved, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Code Enforcement Report

It was recommended and so moved by Councilman Veliky, seconded by Mayor Kepics, the Code Enforcement Report be approved, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

2nd reading of Bill 2-2016 Second Street Parking

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, Bill 2-2016 be adopted as read and become Ordinance 2-2016, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Resolution 2-2016 Application through the Washington County Local Share Account Process for a grant to be used for City of Monongahela sidewalk accessibility.

It was recommended and so moved by Councilman Kulak, seconded by Mayor Kepics, Resolution 2-2016 be adopted as read, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Municipal Police Services Agreement with Union Township

Councilman Caudill questioned if this would be reviewed by our Solicitor. Chief Tempest replied that our Solicitor recommended we approve this agreement tonight based on acceptance by both the city and Union Township.

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, the Municipal Police Services Agreement with Union Township be approved, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Report of Mayor Kepics:

Asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of August 10, 2016. There being none, the minutes were approved.

Announced that the beautification award was give to 415 Hillman Street.

Report of Accounts & Finance:

Councilman Caudill informed council he will make available the 2017 budget requests and asked they be returned before the next meeting.

Report of Public Safety:

It was recommended and so moved by Councilman Veliky, seconded by Councilman Caudill, that Edward S. Angell be hired for the position of Health Officer, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Councilman Veliky reported that the city join the Municipal Authority in applying for an LSA grant in the amount of \$250,000 for the installation of a storm sewer down 6th Street from the intersection of North Alexander to High Street and for phase two of the camera mapping project.

Report of Streets & Improvements:

Councilman Kulak recommended that all present should consider attending the MARC Town Hall Meeting.

City Clerk Carole Foglia recommended that a resolution be adopted for the LSA grant with the Municipal Authority since it will be needed for their application.

It was recommended and so moved by Councilman Veliky, seconded by Mayor Kepics, a resolution for the city to join with the Municipal Authority in the submission of an application to the LSA grant in the amount of \$250,000 be approved, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Councilman Caudill commended Councilman Kulak for his undertaking the project of the American Disabilities Act. Mr. Kulak said this was also targeted in the city's comprehensive plan.

Report of Parks & Property:

Councilman Miller apologized for not having the flags at half-mast on 911.

Councilman Caudill read an article entitled Patriotism on Streets in Monongahela.

It was recommended and so moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Miller, all properly and approved bills be paid, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0

The motion having received the majority vote of Council the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

It was moved by Mayor Kepics, seconded by Councilman Kulak, council adjourn, and the same was agreed to by the following Yea and Nay vote to the call of the roll by the Clerk:

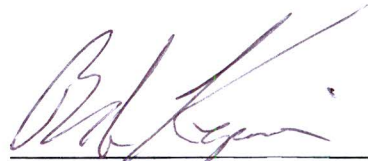
Yeas

Bob Kepics
Tom Caudill
Al Veliky
Ken Kulak
Daryl Miller

Total Yeas 5
Nays 0


The motion having received the majority vote of Council
the same was declared carried by Mayor Kepics and so ordered.

Mayor Kepics then declared council adjourned.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk